| County Based Funding Practices and Ranking Questions developed by Local Work Group (LWG) For FY2008 |   |                               |                 |   |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|-------------------------------|-----------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| 1.  | County name   |                               |                 | Lincoln   |  |  |  |  |
|   | The Beginning Farmer Payment Schedule Rate for this county is |                               |                 | 50%   |  |  |  |  |
| 2.  | PRAC.<br>CODE   | CONSERVATION PRACTICE NAME    | UNITS           | The Local work Group Recommended Using These Practices (A "yes" has been entered for those practices available in this funding pool to use in your county. Blank practices are not available with this ranking tool but may be available from other funding pools.) |  |  |  |  |
|   | 382   | Fence (Ft)                    | FT or Strand/ft | YES   |  |  |  |  |
|   | 512   | Pasture and Hay Planting (Ac) | Ac              | YES   |  |  |  |  |
|   | 516   | Pipeline (Ft)                 | DIFT            | YES   |  |  |  |  |
|   | 528   | Prescribed Grazing (Ac)       | Ac              | YES   |  |  |  |  |
|   | 472   | Use Exclusion (Ac)            | strand-ft       | YES   |  |  |  |  |
|   | 614   | Water Facility (No)           | Each            | YES   |  |  |  |  |

3. LOCAL ISSUES: Your Local Work Group developed the following yes or no questions to be used in the County Base Ranking Tool. Points will only be awarded with a Yes Answer.

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|----|--------------|--|--------|-----------|--|--|
| Qu | uestion<br># | Question   | Points | Responses |  |  |
|    | 1            | Does the applicaton include the development and implementation of a prescribed grazing plan?  Does the application include the development of livestock        | 100    | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 2            | watering facilities and or fencing to limit cattle access to state waters (perennial streams)?  If funded is this your first EQIP contract or is your existing | 95     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 3            | contract completed?  | 90     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 4            | Blank  | 85     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 5            | Blank Has a prescribed grazing plan already been implemented   | 80     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 6            | through EQIP and documented on your farm?  | 75     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 7            | Blank  | 70     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 8            | Blank Will you agree to develop and use a livestock watering system  | 65     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 9            | in uplands to decrease grazing pressure in riparian zones?   | 60     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 10           | Blank  | 55     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 11           | Blank  | 50     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 12           | Blank  | 45     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 13           |  | 40     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 14           | Blank Does the application improve riparian areas by including an  | 35     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 15           | average of 35' buffer when using exclusion fencing?  | 30     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 16           | Blank  | 25     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 17           | Blank  | 20     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 18           | Blank  | 15     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 19           | Blank  | 10     | Yes No    |  |  |
|    | 20           | Blank  | 5      | Yes No    |  |  |